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MESSAGE *FROM THE DEAN*

In 2012, WVU celebrated the 150th anniversary of the Morrill Act. Building on the past and looking toward the future, WVU is committed to redefining its land-grant mission. The 2011-2012 WVU Morrill Act/Land-Grant sesquicentennial celebration included the Inaugural C. Peter Magrath Lecture, State of the University Address, Neil S. Bucklew Lectures and more.

Service and outreach to the State of West Virginia and its citizens remain a strategic core value within the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences and features numerous community-oriented service programs.

WVU CPASS has a long-standing partnership with Monongalia County Public Schools. The Friday Adapted Physical Education Program is a joint partnership between the Center for Excellence in Disabilities, CPASS, Monongalia County Public Schools and St. Francis Central Catholic School. The program encourages and supports participation in physical education activities in a positive learning environment. PETE students and 8th graders from St. Francis provided services to 74 participants in the fall 2012 and 76 participants in the spring 2013.

For 26 consecutive years, the College's National Youth Sport Program, targeting economically disadvantaged youth, ages 10-16 in Monongalia County, has offered physical activity and enrichment lessons to campers. The program serves about 250 children during the four-week summer camp. Participants receive free transportation to and from the camp, daily hot lunch and free medical exams.

In this issue, you can read about the Mylan Park Elementary School initiative. Under the leadership of Dr. Emily Jones, PETE students gain first-hand practical experience teaching physical education

The College's Lifetime Activities Program is a community-based program offering quality physical activity classes including group fitness, martial arts, swim lessons, CPR Certification, Zumba, gymnastics, Healthy Kids Summer Camp and Stansbury Fitness Center programs.

A College team is in the midst of a three-year, federally funded grant, the Greenbrier CHOICES (Children's Health Opportunities Involving Coordinated Efforts in Schools) program. Greenbrier CHOICES combines an integrated approach for adolescent health using complementary intervention strategies and settings in Greenbrier County, W.Va. In its second year, an interdisciplinary team of researchers from CPASS and the School of Medicine have collaborated with Greenbrier County School personnel using PE curriculum development, comprehensive physical activity programming and evaluation.

Also in this issue please read about the McDowell County CHOICES Program. With the support of the Highmark Foundation, Drs. Eloise Elliott, Ware Distinguished Professor, Sean Bulger, Emily Jones and Andrea Taliaferro are establishing quality physical activity, health and wellness interventions for children and youth in McDowell County, W.Va.

CPASS students are actively involved in community-based programs. ACE and PETE students help at Stepping Stones, a non-profit recreational center in Morgantown for people with disabilities. ACE and PETE students serve as volunteers at Special Olympics. PETE students help with physical activity programming at the Kaleidoscope Program, an after school program providing enrichment activities at six sites. ACE students volunteer with area sports programs.

Athletic Training students provide support for local high schools and universities. Undergraduate SEP projects include working with Ronald McDonald House and Relay for Life. Similarly, UG ATTR students provide service to the Rosenbaum Family House and Relay for Life. Graduate SM students provide community service to local charities such as the Haus Foundation.

In conclusion, CPASS will remain committed to providing quality services and outreach to the citizens of West Virginia. Johnetta Cole (1997) wrote, "The ultimate expression of leadership is service to others."

Respectfully submitted,

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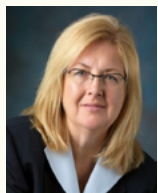
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The mission of the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences is actively engaged in enhancing the University's commitment to teaching, research, and service. This academic unit holds the intellectual and personal growth of the individual as its central purpose. The College is dedicated to offering academic and professional programs related to sport and human movement activities. These programs are characterized by curricular experiences which are designed to broaden perspectives, enrich awareness, deepen understanding, establish disciplined habits of thought, prepare for meaningful careers and, thus, help individuals become informed, responsive, and productive citizens. The College's administration and faculty remain committed to fulfilling this mission.

The WVU Board of Governors is the governing body of WVU. The Higher Education Policy Commission in West Virginia is responsible for developing, establishing, and overseeing the implementation of a public policy agenda for the state's four-year colleges and universities.

Reaching back to pay it forward



The CPASS Visiting Committee, a diverse team of alumni volunteering their time and expertise to the College, held their Spring 2013 meeting in mid-April. The current VC is an accomplished group of professionals who hail from a variety of fields in academia, business, coaching and government. It is an outstanding team and an honor to serve with them.

Our spring meeting was packed with events and discussion. It was kicked off with an afternoon dedicated to student research. Please see the article in this issue to read more about this exciting event.

Later that evening, after a wonderful dinner at the Erikson Alumni Center, we received the Dean's office reports from Dean Brooks, department chairs, Drs. Valerie Wayda and Jack Watson, as well as business manager, Sharon Sisler. The reports cover the status of College initiatives, accomplishments and issues in preparation for our subcommittee meetings. Clearly, exciting things are happening at WVU. Updates on the new CPASS building project, research efforts, faculty and student activities, and international study abroad trips left us with very favorable impressions.

The WVU Provost Dr. Michele Wheatley joined our breakfast meeting on Friday morning to share her perspectives on the future of the University and the College. She also addressed some tough questions posed by the committee with grace and candor. We are thrilled that she took time from her busy day to personally meet with our group. Her leadership is palpable and it's important to note that she recognizes the efforts of Dean Brooks and the College.

Another student-focused event, speed mentoring, was headed by Valerie Wayda. You can read more about this activity in this issue as well.

Our group attended the student/faculty/staff awards luncheon at Lakeview Resort. Immediately following the ceremony, we reviewed the proposed electronic display for the new CPASS building. This involves digital, video, graphics and audio clips for enhancing the CPASS visitor experience. The interactive feature wall will include impressive new technology that offers information at your fingertips. I can't wait to see it go live. This was followed by the subcommittee splinter meetings Friday afternoon and Saturday morning.

The fall meeting promises to be just as fruitful, where the VC is already focusing on the CPASS Hall of Fame ceremony with a stellar new class of inductees. Come back to campus for a visit – there's lots of good going on. It's a great time to be a Mountaineer!

Judith Hayes

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CPASS announces new development director



Dennis Toney has joined the West Virginia University College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences as the director of development.

Toney joins WVU from the University of Alabama in Huntsville where he served as director of athletic development. In that role, he served as major gift officer

for sports programs and capital projects and established new funding records in annual giving, President's Council membership, corporate partnerships and major gift pledges.

"I am very pleased to join the team at CPASS to help in the ongoing development and advancement at the College," Toney said. "This role allows me the opportunity to work closely with Dean Dana Brooks, the CPASS team and generous alumni base as we transition into our new facility.

"The College has world class faculty who prepare our students to take on global challenges. In the future, we can look forward to a new home, additional scholarships and fellowships," he added. "I am grateful for this opportunity and am eager to work with all constituents in our development efforts."

"The College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences welcomes Dennis Toney to the position of development director. Dennis brings a wealth of experience and knowledge in the development field," said Brooks. "Over the next several years, he will work with the WVU Foundation and Dean's office

to increase the number of student scholarships, fellowships, and raise funds for the College's new building.

"I look forward to working closely with Dennis as we advance the College's mission," Brooks added.

Last June, the University and the Foundation launched the largest private fundraising campaign in WVU's history. "A State of Minds: The Campaign for West Virginia's University" hopes to raise \$750 million by December 2015. Learn more about the campaign at <http://www.astateofminds.com/>.

Toney received a bachelor's degree from Bridgewater College in Virginia and master's degrees from the University of Virginia and Ohio University. His professional career experience includes higher education and leading the efforts at the Southern Virginia Recreation Facilities Authority in Martinsville, Va.

While at the University of Alabama, Huntsville, Toney generated support for various scholarships and programs and provided leadership in the funding for the reinstatement of UAH ice hockey as a NCAA Division I sport. As director of athletics at the University of Montevallo, Toney oversaw various accomplishments including a major upgrade to the baseball and soccer facilities. At the University of South Carolina, Dennis provided guidance to the Gamecock Club for increased funding and ticket sales.



TRIBUTE TO GRADUATES

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Meet Fernando Said, a sport and exercise psychology major from Argentina by way of Maryland, who found his niche as a member of the practice squad for the women's basketball team. Two years into Fernando Said's West Virginia University career, he thought about leaving.

Sure, he liked it here. He loved it.

But he missed home. His family was going through tough times back in Maryland, and many of his closest friends from his first year at WVU had transferred.

"To a point, I had no friends that I really felt close with," he said. "I didn't want to be by myself. It was boring."

He had a decision to make. And, in the end, it was a

conversation with his dad that made all the difference.

"He told me not to quit, not to make this a habit," Said recalled from his sophomore year. "I prayed about it and tried to see some signs. Little by little, I was just convinced that I had to stay and that it was the right place for me.

"I felt like the opportunity was endless here. When I would look at stuff back home, a lot of my friends were doing the same things. I've never just wanted to be stuck in one place."

Soon after he made the decision to stay at WVU and continue to study sport and exercise psychology, two of his friends approached him about joining the women's basketball team's practice squad. He said yes.

He's been a member of the practice squad for the last two years. During that time, he was an instrumental member of the program that has gone to three straight NCAA tournaments in seven years. He, and some of his closest friends on the practice squad, would take part in every one of the women's team's practices and even spend individual workouts with the players, as well.

"That experience alone made me realize that I was so happy I stayed here. It was an awesome experience," he said. "I met people who were just as passionate about sports as I was and helped me be around a team. I always wanted to be around a team if I couldn't play on one."

Said is originally from Buenos Aires, Argentina. His family moved to the United States in 1994 when he was 4 so that he and his younger brothers could get a better education. After stops in New York City and New Jersey, his family settled in the Baltimore area, where his grandma lived.

He hasn't been back to Argentina since, though he does intend to some day. He doesn't even remember much from there, either.

The first few years in the States were tough. His parents, who were well off in Argentina, took jobs as janitors, and Said began school. He wasn't comfortable speaking English at the time, so he sat in his classes and stared out the window. Eventually, he'd take some classes to help him adjust.



By that point, he had already begun participating in sports. He played soccer, because that's what he grew up on, as it was the most popular sport in Argentina.

"Everyone loved me and my brother, because we were pretty good at soccer. They wanted us to be on their rec league teams," he said.

When his friends who played soccer started to take up football, he did, too. And he loved it even more than he enjoyed soccer.

"I knew I was different, but all that mattered to them was sports. We had the same interests," he said.

In addition, Said's family is very faithful. His father is a pastor at a local church, so it allowed the family to find comfort early on in its new surroundings.

He played football through high school but realized as a senior that it would be best to hang up the cleats and pursue a professional career in something else.

"A bunch of my friends were going on to play football at big schools, and I wanted to be just like that. I wanted to be a (Division I) athlete," he said. "I had to be realistic and know that I'm not going to go to the NFL. As much as it killed me, I knew that I had to focus on school."

Growing up in Maryland, he loved the passion he saw that WVU had for its sports teams and decided that it was the place to be. He knew he would have many more opportunities in Morgantown than he would at a smaller school or junior college.

He also participated in the Adventure WV program at WVU prior to coming to campus for his first semester. Said has kept a job at the Student Rec Center for four years and has interned at a law firm back home for three years.

He spends 28 hours reading per week, he said, and loves to read about success stories. His favorite book is "A Shark Never Sleeps" by Drew Rosenhaus.

Said will take a year off after graduation before he takes on law school. His goal is to become a lawyer with a focus on sports, which would lead him to a career as an agent or a vice president of a sports team.

"I want to help athletes be smarter with their money," he said. "That's their livelihood. I always felt like I could

help them be more financially stable."

—WVU University Relations

Major Harris tells graduates they can't quit

BY TODD MURRAY, *The Dominion Post*



WVU legend and College Football Hall of Famer Major Harris still recalls the hurtful stereotype.

“There was a saying back when I was in college—the dumb jock,” Harris told graduates of the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences, on May 19 afternoon at the Creative Arts Center.

“You play a sport in college, and then when you are done, you don’t have a degree.”

The stereotype bothered Harris, who quarterbacked the Mountaineers from 1987-89, because it described his situation perfectly.

“I ended up being that dumb jock that people talk about who didn’t have his degree,” said Harris, who led WVU to the 1989 national championship Fiesta Bowl game, against top-ranked Notre Dame.

Harris quickly discovered his Heisman Trophy finalist honors from 1988 and 1989 wouldn’t do much for him in the working world.

After his professional football career in the Canadian Football League fizzled in the early 1990s, Harris knew what he had to do. He returned to WVU in 1993 and completed work on his bachelor’s degree in physical education, in 1994.

“When I look back on that after my years playing, that was the best thing that could have happened to me,” said Harris, who today counsels children in his native Pittsburgh. “My degree is the one thing nobody can take away from me.”

That’s a message today’s students need to hear, said Michele G. Wheatly, WVU’s provost and vice president for academic affairs.

“He’s a really tough guy,” she said. “For him to come back and tell our students that you can’t quit and your education is invaluable to you is important.”

Harris encouraged the graduates to be flexible enough to change courses in their lives and careers. He initially dreamed of becoming a professional basketball star after his high school days at Pittsburgh’s Brashear High.

College recruiters were more interested in him as a football player. When then-WVU football coach Don Nehlen offered him a scholarship to play quarterback for the Mountaineers, Harris jumped at it.

“So my goals changed,” he said. “Just like in life, you might want to be one thing and you might change. You have to roll with the punches, so to speak.”

WVU women’s soccer goalkeeper Sara Keane found herself having to roll with some difficult punches early in her Mountaineer athletic career.

A high school knee injury sidelined her for the first two years of her college soccer career. The first semester of her freshman year, in the fall of 2009, was particularly trying.

“I was so down about not being able to play,” said Keane, who received a bachelor’s degree in sports management May 19. “After my first semester, everything really picked up. Things started getting a lot easier.”

The Mount Laurel, N.J., native finally returned to the pitch in 2011 and emerged as a second-team all-Big East Conference goalkeeper. She helped the Mountaineers to the 2012 regular-season title in WVU’s first year in the Big 12 Conference.

Her academic career progressed as well, thanks to some helping hands in CPASS.

“I wouldn’t change what I studied for anything,” she said. “I loved it. I loved all of my professors. They were very helpful along the way being that I have to go to practice and play games. They were always very understanding of that.”

Keane returns to her soccer team for a fifth season of eligibility in the fall. She plans to apply for a sixth year because she missed two full seasons because of injury.

While she finishes her playing career, she’ll pursue a master’s degree in higher education administration.

“Erica Wycherley, our academic adviser for soccer, did higher education administration for her master’s, and she loved it,” Keane said. “She had nothing but good things to say about it. I’m excited to see what it will bring.”

CLASS OF 2013 HONORED AT WVU TECH



Senior John Dunn was honored during the WVU Tech ceremony as the NASPE Major of the Year. West Virginia University Institute of Technology honored the Class of 2013 during the 114th commencement on campus in early May. A total of 171 graduates was recognized during the ceremony in the Neal Baisi Athletic Center gymnasium. WVU Tech CEO Carolyn Long was among those congratulating the graduates during the ceremony.

FUN, GAMES, AND LIFE LESSONS

CPASS students boost PE effort at Mon County School

Over the course of her career as an educator and administrator, Debbie Tampoya has noticed physical education classes having a paralyzing effect on some students.

Some are intimidated by the thought of learning skills and sports they're unfamiliar with, especially in front of peers. Some simply don't click with the teacher.

“These important life lessons and skills learned in PE translate into the classroom, playground, children’s homes, and our community,” said Emily Jones, PETE coordinator.

A grant from the Monongalia County School Board that stretches back to the 1990s has allowed undergraduate and graduate students in CPASS’ Physical Education Teacher Education program to help even Mylan Park’s most reluctant students embrace physical education and the benefits of daily activity. What’s more, through their work, they’ve helped transform WVU’s PETE program into a national model for training PE teachers.

“They really have it down to a science, it’s very engaging,” Tampoya said of CPASS. “Believe it or not, when I started as a principal, I had kids who didn’t want to go to phys ed. Now, everybody enjoys it. The way (the WVU students) introduce the skills, it’s just a lot of fun.”

The grant supports three CPASS graduate students, each a licensed, certified PE teacher, to teach at Mylan Park each year. But that only scratches the surface of the support and enrichment the students receive.

A recent day at Mylan’s gym served as ample proof of CPASS’ commitment to student learning while maintaining a fun-for-all approach. Eager third-graders were divided into two groups, each taught by a CPASS undergraduate student and assisted by another CPASS undergrad. On the sidelines were more CPASS students observing each group. Some were undergrads, watching the way their colleagues taught and absorbing as much as they could before it was their turn to teach a class. Others were graduate students who monitor and evaluate the undergrads’ teaching skills.

“Physical education definitely has progressed from since I was in school,” said Melissa Baus, a CPASS master’s student from Clark, N.J., who teaches two classes a day at Mylan. “Usually, the teachers just rolled out the ball and said, ‘Here, play a game of soccer, play a game of basketball.’ Now, as a physical educator we’re actually teaching the skills so the kids become confident and competent in the skills before we actually introduce the game to them.”

CPASS’ methodology is based on the Sports, Play and Active Recreation for Kids curriculum, or SPARK, a research-based, internationally recognized PE curriculum developed at San Diego State University in the late 1980s. It promotes health-related fitness and physical activity and is built around national physical education standards while aligning with state standards. SPARK allows teachers to build upon and modify lesson plans to best suit the needs and interests of their learners.

But having an effective curriculum is only part of the appeal of the CPASS students. Their youth and enthusiasm makes them more relatable to the children and their success at WVU makes them role models, Tampoya says. The WVU students also engage with the children at recess and are involved in special activities at the school throughout the year.

The WVU teachers’ incorporate a health-related “concept of the day” that focuses on a wide range of topics including the benefits of physical fitness, well-being, healthy decision-making, and personal and social responsibility.

“These important life lessons and skills learned in PE translate into the classroom, playground, children’s homes, and our community,” Dr. Emily Jones said.

At PE teacher training at most institutions, field experience and hands-on teaching does not occur until late in the undergrad experience. WVU students get to work with students in teaching/learning environments early and often throughout their program. They’re quickly introduced to the SPARK curriculum, instructional methods and strategies to assess



student learning and begin teaching or observing PE classes during their first and second semesters in the PETE program.

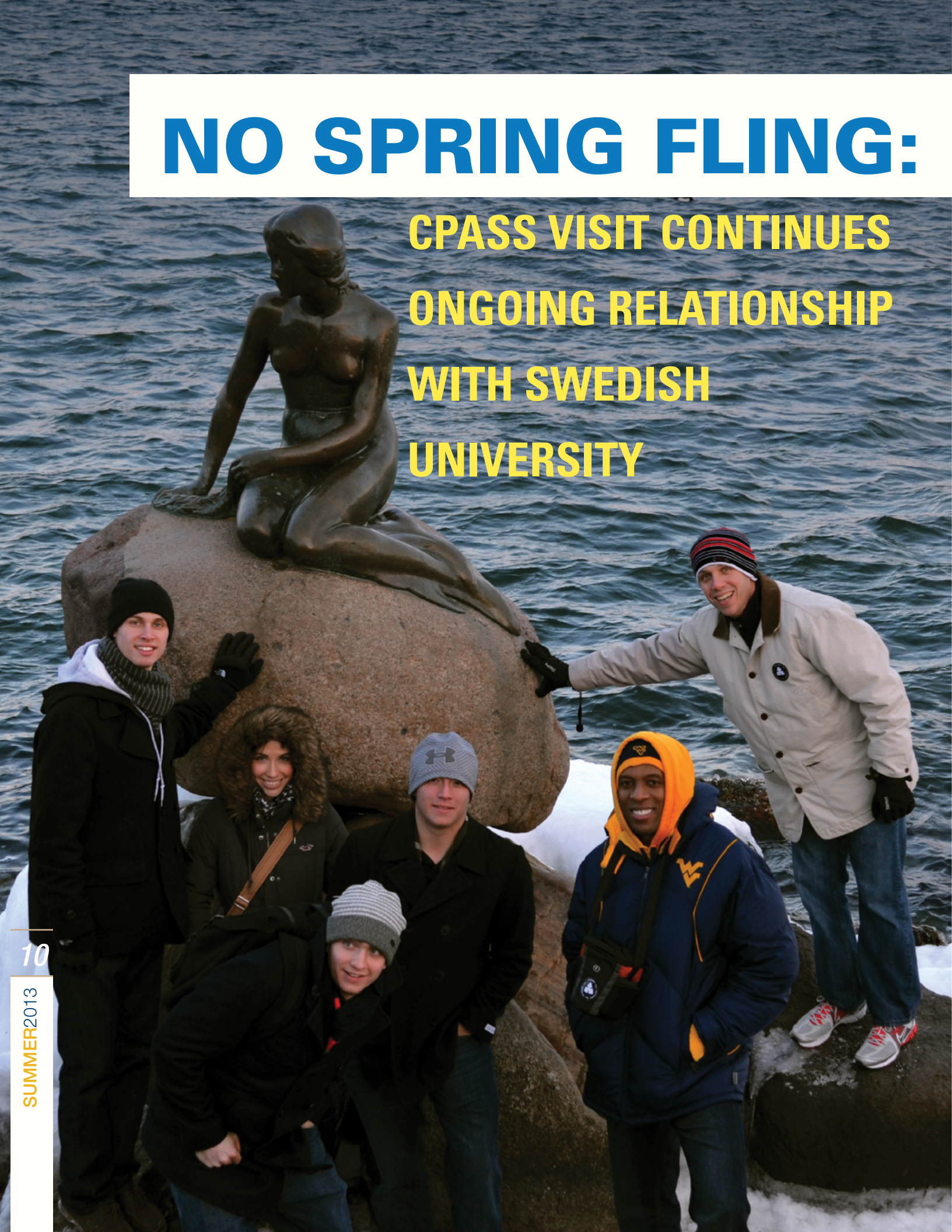
“I think what sets WVU’s undergrad program apart from other schools is that you’re immersed right away,” Baus said. “You’re out there, you have your own class in a public school setting and you get real world experience right away.”

Or, as Mike McKenzie, a junior from Elkins put it, “You learn pretty quickly if you like teaching or not.”

“Our partnership with Mylan is relatively unique,” Jones said. “While it has developed over the years, the underlying notion remains the same – we are committed to delivering quality, standards-based PE that focuses on student learning, health and well-being and the development of skillful movers who participate in sport and physical activity outside of the school day. Through the partnership, the University has an opportunity to give back to the community and train teachers using quality innovative teaching practices that will serve to benefit the children of West Virginia.”

NO SPRING FLING:

CPASS VISIT CONTINUES
ONGOING RELATIONSHIP
WITH SWEDISH
UNIVERSITY



The record high temperature for Sweden in March is 61 degrees but there were no complaints from Ashley Morgan, a CPASS student who travelled there for spring break as part of the College's study abroad trip.

Morgan, a sophomore from Hilliard, Ohio, majoring in sport and exercise psychology, wasn't concerned about swimming or sun-tanning. The trip had a much broader appeal and lasting impact. She and 10 other students, along with CPASS faculty members Dr. Jack Watson and Dr. Damien Clement, spent March 23-30 at Halmstad University experiencing a mix of academic information-sharing and cultural events.

"I've been interested in going on this trip since I first heard about it," Morgan said. "Halmstad is one of the leaders in sport and exercise psychology in the world. I never want to pass up an opportunity to learn more about my field. I want to experience everything I can."

Other students who crossed the seas over spring break were: Mickey Bennett of Fairfax, Va.; Phillip Dillulio of Harrison, N.Y.; Robert and Alessia Schlote of Frederick, Md.; Vincent Fitch of Laurel, Md.; Gabriel Litvin of Annandale, Va.; Andrew Glessner of Somerset, Pa.; Lucas Chapa of Washington, D.C.; Haley Williams of Saxonburg, Pa.; and Julian Carney-Domm of Smyrna, Del. Glessner is a physical education teacher education major; Chapa is a pre-sport management major; Carney-Domm is a sport management major; and the rest are sport and exercise psychology majors.

The visit covered a broad range of experiences – from playing handball with Olympic hopefuls from the Swedish national team to touring the Scandanavian School of Golf and meeting its teachers and students. Students attended presentations and lectures covering the latest sport psychology information and research from Europe.

In addition to the academic component, students experienced the cultural differences that can best be understood on site. They were able to see first-hand that in Europe, practitioners take a very different perspective on many psychological issues than in the United States. CPASS students saw the European perspective on the psychology of sport.



The Halmstad visit represents much more than a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Watson has been in close contact with two of its faculty members, Natalia Stambulova and Urban Johnson,



who have each visited and lectured at WVU. Through those relationships, the institutions signed a Memorandum of Understanding and will begin establishing formal ties such as research collaborations and faculty and student exchanges.

"We're hoping we'll be able to continue to bring students over there and that they'll be bringing students over here and we set up a system where it alternates every year," Watson said.

Morgan thinks the schools make a perfect match.

"Halmstad has a fantastic sport psychology program, one of the best in Europe. And we have one of the best sports psychology programs in the nation. I want to see how they compare to us."

The exchange expands on CPASS' continuous efforts to globalize.

Last year, Soita Paschal of Kyambogo University in Uganda joined CPASS as a visiting professor and is a key figure in several relationships with sport administrators and researchers throughout Africa. WVU had previously established ties in South Africa and Ghana and several faculty members are working with other institutions in Sweden and Finland. CPASS also has a strong relationship with East China Normal University in Shanghai and hosted a visiting scholar from Brazil.



McDOWELL **Choices**

COORDINATED HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES
INVOLVING COMMUNITIES, ENVIRONMENTS AND SCHOOLS



A project designed to increase physical activity involvement and opportunities in McDowell County is headed up by a WVU-based team that includes CPASS, the School of Medicine and School of Public Health. The project is funded through the Highmark Foundation, Pittsburgh, PA.

The purpose of McDowell CHOICES (Coordinated Health Opportunities Involving Communities, Environments, and Schools) is to develop, implement, and evaluate an integrated approach to improving physical activity participation. The effort features evidence-based strategies across multiple settings, such as schools, community, and family.

“We are fortunate to have this opportunity to work with the Highmark Foundation and the people of McDowell County to provide the resources and leadership that can enhance the physical activity opportunities there, and to potentially positively affect the health of many of their citizens,” explains Eloise Elliott, Ware Distinguished Professor.

The key strategies proposed to increase physical activity participation and opportunities in McDowell County will enhance school-based physical activity opportunities through the provision of comprehensive school physical activity programs (CSPAP). The program will create and enhance places and community-based programs for informal and structured form of physical activity.

Benefits to the schools will include the provision of instructional materials and equipment to support quality physical education, after-school programs, and other physical activity opportunities during the school day. The team will offer new instructional technologies into the physical education and health education programs. Schools will receive continuing professional development opportunities for all health and physical education teachers. The group will involve families through changing key health-related behaviors while improving children’s health status and attitudes toward physical activity.

“I am excited to be the ‘boots on the ground’ and working with the WVU team to make an impact. CHOICES is a program this area has needed for a long time.”

Communities will benefit from the project through an opportunity to develop a new outdoor play space for all age levels. The project will expand access to existing physical activity spaces through joint use agreements and partner with local community organizations and groups to develop physical activity programs at various locations across the county.

The team was granted an initial six-month Planning Grant by the Highmark Foundation through June 2013, focusing on three primary goals: (1) Capacity building and networking at the local level to encourage buy-in among community leaders and their constituents; (2) Completing a community- and school-based needs assessment as a basis for refining the planned programming; and (3) Conducting baseline measurement of targeted health-related behaviors in school-aged children and adolescents. A full two-year implementation grant is anticipated in summer 2013.

In relation to capacity building and networking, the team has added a project director to facilitate

all grant-related activities at the county level and meet periodically with local community leaders and partners to achieve a more coordinated effort. Earlier in the process, an advisory board was established and town hall meetings were held with McDowell County schools. These interactions are critical to determining the assets that are already in place within McDowell County.

Project Director Nathan Acosta offers direction for the project. “Three generations of my family come from these mountains. I am excited to be the ‘boots on the ground’ and working with the WVU team to make an impact. CHOICES is a program this area has needed for a long time. It is a remarkable opportunity to be a part of the effort to improve the health of McDowell County families,” said Acosta.

The thorough needs assessment included two town hall community meetings, a focus group with key school personnel and another with community leaders, and site visits at each school to learn more about current school-based physical activity programming. The WV CARDIAC Project conducted Body Mass Index screenings in all 2nd, 5th, and 8th grades to gain a better understanding of the health status of the school-aged children, and the team also conducted surveys to determine health behaviors and beliefs.

Phase II of McDowell CHOICES will involve actual program implementation and run through June 2015, pending funding from the Highmark Foundation. The three primary goals for implementation include: (1) Environmental and policy modification related to physical activity promotion; (2) Improvement of health-related behavior among school-aged children and adolescents; and (3) Community transformation through the identification of the facilitators and barriers to physical activity as a basis for change.

To learn more about McDowell CHOICES, visit www.mcdowellchoices.org

AROUND THE COLLEGE

Students from CPASS athletic training, sports psychology and sport management clubs hosted a blood drive Jan. 25 at the WVU Coliseum. "This has become an annual event for our club. We hope the event will raise awareness of the need for local blood donations," said Jeremy Ross, WVU athletic training club co-president. The club scheduled the event in conjunction with the American Red Cross National Blood Donor Month.

The sport management club attended the Sports Management Worldwide conference during the National Football League Combine. Matthew Vullo, a sophomore and member of the sport management club, said it was a unique experience that has helped prepare him for life after college. "I personally met Adam Schefter and others who are in the professional sports business, and they gave me great advice on how to get into the business," he said. "It takes years of hard work and experience." The sport management club travels each year, but this was their first time attending the NFL Combine, said club president Merritt Peasley. "It was interesting because we got

The Dean's Student Advisory Board hosted a "Meet and Greet" social at Black Bear Burritos, Evansdale campus in January. The event, supported by the Dean's office, included CPASS undergraduate and graduate students as well as faculty. Despite the snowy day, approximately 80 people attended the social and enjoyed the excellent food and relaxed atmosphere. It was a good opportunity to meet colleagues from other majors while savoring tasty food during a nice winter evening in Morgantown. The Dean's Student Advisory Board thanks all attendees and is looking forward to hosting similar events in the near future to continue fostering cohesion between the CPASS departments.



to meet students who are in the same predicament and make connections with them as well," he said.

The students toured Indiana University and attended a presentation, featuring talks from NFL reporter for ESPN Adam Schefter, WVU graduate and Pittsburgh Steelers fullback Will Johnson, Tampa Bay Buccaneers General Manager Mark Dominik and others. The sport management club raised funds to support its trip and received a grant from the University. Students took advantage of the networking opportunity with the general manager of the Buccaneers and others in the sports community.



The Mountaineer Maniacs group has renamed CPASS student Chris Northrup as their director for the 2013-14 school year. Northrup, a senior sport and exercise psychology student, said he saw many accomplishments during his first year as Maniac director. "We did a great job this year of informing Maniac members and students in general of each sporting event throughout campus," Northrup said. "We are in a great conference where every school is extremely passionate about their sports teams – it's a great fit for us," Northrup said. "I hope moving forward, our members have an opportunity to travel to these venues to see the atmosphere that we should be creating at Mountaineer Field." He says the group's main goal for the future is to continue to get more people involved and work on Mountaineer traditions. "Together, we can make Morgantown a tough place to play for opponents."

Middle and high school students from West Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, and Pittsburgh gathered in Morgantown last December to learn about career options in sport management at the College's Sport Management Academic Career Day. The event, held at the Coliseum, was hosted by CPASS, the WVU Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and the WVU undergraduate sport management student organization. It featured student athletes and former and current club members and faculty. Sara Kean, a scholarship athlete with WVU women's soccer team and senior sport management student, discussed life

on campus, sport management courses, and internship experiences. CPASS Dean Dana Brooks welcomed participants to the event. David M. Fryson, chief diversity officer, Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, addressed life on campus.

While some students opt for rest and relaxation over the summer months, others keep a focus on real-world experience through summer internships. Some students thrive on experience that often serves as a launching pad for competing for professional careers after college. A few CPASS students who will set the alarm clock this summer include:

- **Colin Bailey**, University of Florida Athletic Facilities
- **Morgan Billups**, Chattanooga Lookouts
- **Dean Polk**, Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports
- **Tyler Colton**, NACDA
- **Lindsay Toussant**, USA Track & Field
- **Amanda Steelman**, Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports
- **Patrick Crowe**, Philadelphia Phillies

On May 4, ACE students hosted a coaching education workshop for the Mon County Girls Softball program at Granville Park. The afternoon training session presented volunteer coaches with coaching education featuring best teaching practices, sport science and softball specific drills. The program was designed and run by PETE doctoral students Lauren Deckelbaum and Tina Griffith and by ACE master's student Caleb Fierbaugh. Undergraduate volunteers from the ACE major functioned as practice players for teaching and drill demonstrations. Participants received a workbook specifically designed for the program and participated in both classroom- and on-the-field-based learning activities. The undergraduates who participated were John Fedorisin, Peter Nalle, Ryan Wolfe and Zach Mulvey.



COLLEGE HOSTS POSTER RESEARCH DAY

In April, CPASS celebrated its first all-College poster research day held in the main concourse of the Coliseum. Approximately 30 posters were on display during the session. The vast majority of the posters were from undergraduate and graduate students in the College, but other posters from faculty were available for viewing. The event was well attended by faculty, staff and Visiting Committee members. Students established networking opportunities with alumni and other visitors attending the event. The Visiting Committee presented awards for both undergraduate and graduate level research projects. The event was sponsored by CPASS and the College Visiting Committee. Awards were given for the best undergraduate and graduate projects. Winning posters were “The Psychological Factors Influencing Exercise Behaviors among College Students,” by Eric Jenkins, Phil Dillulio, Fernanda Said, Stuart Squires and Tim Stamper and “Achieving Expertise in NCAA Athletics: Coaches’ Knowledge and Application of Deliberate Practice,” by Ian Connole, Jesse Michel, and Olivier Schmid.



STUDENT EARNS NATIONAL POSTER COMPETITION AWARD



Rick West, PETE doctoral student with cognate in ACE, won the student poster competition at National Association of Kinesiology in Higher Education conference, January in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

The poster was a submission for the Joanna Davenport Doctoral Poster Presentation, highlighting a proposed pilot study on gaining consensus on the content areas needed for a coaching curriculum for volunteer coaches, who are new to the sport. The method of data collection to be used will be the Delphi, which collects data from three different expert groups to gain consensus. The reason for this research topic is the growing number of youth participating in sport and the need for educated coaches to work with those students.

This was West's first conference. He attended several of the sessions and became more familiar with the research done by the group and the possible leadership opportunities within the organization. He attended a session conducted by Kacey DiGiacinto, Elizabeth City State University faculty member and 2010 CPASS graduate.

"Dr. Kristen Diffenbach has been amazing in helping me to define my focus of study and to encourage me to become involved in national organizations such as NAKHE. Dr. Sean Bulger was most instrumental in this particular poster. His class introduced me to the Delphi method and the concepts of this type of research. I am very thankful for his and the entire faculty's guidance to date in my education."

College supports Black History Month event

NFL players Hamaza Abdullah of the Arizona Cardinals and Husain Abdullah of the Minnesota Vikings spoke about their Muslim journey as professional athletes last February at WVU. The Abdullah brothers' event was co-sponsored by the Muslim Student Association and the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences in honor of Black History Month. The event is an annual celebration of achievements by black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. Black History Month is the brainchild of historian and West Virginian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans.



The WV PA Plan "gets outside"

Members of the WV PA Plan worked with the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, Stonewall Resort, and American Hiking Society to organize a "Get Outside" event at Stonewall Resort. Emphasizing the state's wellness initiative, the hike recognized the American Hiking Society's National Trails Day, coinciding with hundreds of other hikes occurring across the country.

Charlotte site for 2013 AAHPERD Conference

CPASS faculty and students attended the 2013 AAHPERD Conference in Charlotte this past April. The theme for the conference, not surprisingly, was Drive Your Future. The College hosted a reception for alumni and friends at the Whisky River Restaurant, located close to the Charlotte Convention Center. Guests had a chance to network and hear the latest University news from Dean Brooks. Visitors also enjoyed a meet and greet with CPASS faculty members. Some of the featured speakers at the conference include Sam Kass, White House assistant chef and executive director for Let's Move; Christy Halbert, NAGWS' Guiding Woman in Sport; and Mark Fenton, member of the U.S. national race walking team and former host of the America's Walking series on PBS. The 2014 AAHPERD national convention and expo is slated for St. Louis, MO.

SEP Program Earns National Recognition

Sport and Exercise Psychology program was recognized with the Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Exercise and Sport Psychology award by Division 47 of the American Psychological Association.

SEP is a component of WVU's College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences and is one of the first true sport and exercise psychology undergraduate programs in the United States. The undergraduate program has more than 400 graduates. Approximately 60 percent of its graduates move on to graduate school in SEP or closely related disciplines.

"As one of the oldest sport and exercise psychology programs in the United States, the SEP program at West Virginia University has created a strong reputation for turning out excellent researchers and practitioners in both sport and exercise psychology," said Jack Watson, professor and chair of the department.

The APA has 54 divisions, organized by members into interest groups that represent a variety of disciplines in the field of psychology. Division 47 includes the field of exercise and sport psychology.

Every three years the APA awards a sport psychologist or training program that, over time, has consistently provided significant contributions to education and training in exercise and sport psychology. The award will be presented at the 2013 APA Convention in Honolulu from July 31 to August 4.

This is the first time in history that the APA has awarded a group rather than a single individual. The SEP program has established much strength and credibility prior to earning this recognition.

The WVU Board of Governors selected SEP as a "Program of Excellence" based on its national reputation of distinction, strength in the area of curriculum and assessment, success of its graduates, and the quality of its faculty.

"At the graduate level, this program has taken strides to ensure that it is able to serve its students on an individual level," said Watson.

SEP faculty at WVU made the decision years ago to focus many of their resources on the doctoral program. All students admitted into this program also complete a master's degree in community counseling, making them eligible to sit for licensure as a professional counselor.

In the past seven years, the SEP program has graduated a total of 20 Ph.D. students. While the majority of these students have gone on to take faculty positions at prestigious universities around the United States, others have taken positions as practitioners and researchers in the field.

"The SEP program at WVU has always striven to be at the forefront of the field with regard to the programming that we offer and the opportunities available to students," Watson said. "Faculty continues to stay abreast of current developments in the field with the goal of maintaining a cutting edge approach. It is because of these contributions to the field of exercise and sport psychology that I believe the SEP program at WVU was recognized with the 2013 Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training Award."





Journal Updates



FIT's International Journal of Sport Finance (IJSF) is now the official journal of the European Sport Economics Association (ESEA).

The ESEA promotes communication between sports economics scientists and practitioners. FIT publishes the top papers from ESEA's annual conference in a special issue each year.

In related news, IJSF associate editor and WVU alumnus Dr. Brad Humphreys will join the teaching faculty at WVU's College of Business and Economics. Previously, he was professor & gaming chair of the Department of Economics at the University of Alberta.

New Releases



Freedom Run: A 100-Day, 3,452-Mile Journey Across America to Benefit Wounded Veterans

In 2012, West Virginia resident and Marine Corps veteran Jamie Summerlin ran across America

to raise awareness and funds for wounded veterans. Beginning in Oregon and ending in Delaware, Summerlin's 100-day trek across the nation and the stories of the veterans he collected serve as inspiring and eye-opening tales of courage, determination, and honor that deserve to be shared. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the book will benefit veteran-focused charitable

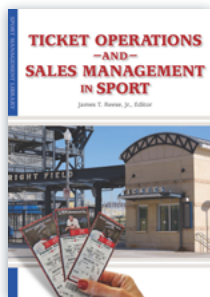
organizations. Written with ICPE Director Matt Brann, Freedom Run is available in print and digital formats and provides ideal reading for runners and sport psychology fans.



Principles of Sport Administration

The success of athletic programs at any level depends heavily on administrators who must develop viable plans; oversee budgeting, marketing, and fundraising efforts; and effectively manage employees. These core concepts and others are covered in Principles of Sport Administration, a comprehensive textbook for sport administration and an indispensable guide for any aspiring athletic program administrator or coach.

Authors in the News



Dr. James Reese, author of Ticket Operations and Sales in Sport, is associate professor at Drexel University in Pennsylvania. Reese is also the head of Reese

Sports, LLC, which provides clients with training and recommendations for improving their ticket office functions. His specialties include ticket operations and sales, sponsorship, event management, and ethics in sport management. A recent ESPN article about dynamic ticket pricing systems titled Study Compares Mets, StubHub Prices references the work of Stephen Shapiro and Joris Drayer, both of whom are contributors to Ticket Operations and Sales Management in Sport and serve on the editorial board of FIT's Sport Marketing Quarterly (SMQ).



Congratulations to Dr. John Grady for winning the University of South Carolina's (USC) Distinguished Undergraduate Research

Mentor Award. Dr. Grady mentored Magellan Scholar students from USC's Sport and Entertainment Management Program with their research at the 2012 Summer Olympics. The research explored the issue of stadium accessibility for Olympic spectators with disabilities, a growing area of national and international research in sport management. Along with Dr. Annie Clement, Dr. Grady is the co-author of Law in Sport: Concepts and Cases, 4th Edition, and he is the co-editor of the Sport Marketing and the Law column in FIT's SMQ.

FIT Interns

Lea Ann Butcher and Terri Partlett from WVU's Professional Writing and Editing Program joined FIT's intern program this past spring. At the end of semester, students in the PWE program participated in a poster presentation, displaying the work they accomplished during their internships. Terri's was chosen as the top in the class out of 15. Students with an interest in FIT's internships should contact Rachel Tibbs (fiteditors@mail.wvu.edu) for editorial internships and Sheila Saab (fitmarketing@mail.wvu.edu) for marketing/public relations internships.

For more information about FIT's books and journals visit www.fitinfotech.com



Visiting Lecturers

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Dr. Larry Lauer



Dr. Larry Lauer, one of the most influential sport educators in America, discussed the coach's role in positive youth development through sport. Lauer, a coaching educator for USA Hockey, spoke to faculty and students on Feb. 26. "Having Dr. Lauer come to WVU to share his expertise as a sport psychology consultant, research and coaching education expert is a great opportunity for our students and for the community," said Kristen Dieffenbach, assistant professor, athletic coaching education, CPASS. As the sport psychology consultant to USA Hockey's National Team development program, Lauer consults with athletes, teams and coaches from the youth to professional levels of sport.

Dr. Jay Coakley



Dr. Jay Coakley, a leading scholar in sport and culture, visited campus to discuss the conditions and context when sport practice and events contribute to create social integration. Coakley presented *Sport and Social Integration: Global Possibilities and Limitations* on March 13. "Having Dr. Coakley come to WVU to share his expertise in sport sociology is a great opportunity for our students, faculty and for everyone who wants to understand the complexity of how sports work" said Gonzalo Bravo, associate professor, sport management. Although many believe that sports create emotional unity, Coakley's research will show that this unity does not automatically lead to lasting forms of social integration or forms of development that contribute to the common good."

William A. Neal, M.D.



William A. Neal, M.D., professor and Walker Chair of Pediatric Cardiology, WVU, spoke to students and faculty about "Public Health and the Land Grant University." He discussed the Morrill Land Grant Act; how WVU came about as a result of the Act; and the early growth of the University, focusing on physical education and medicine. Neal explained the collaborative projects conducted jointly by the WVU Department of Pediatrics and CPASS as community-based projects designed to impact the public health in West Virginia. Projects will include the CARDIAC Project, Camp NEW You, Greenbrier and McDowell CHOICES, and the WV Physical Activity Plan, including Rx for Health.

Dr. Michael W. Jackson



A leading authority in sport and recreation management discussed sport administration and athletic programs within colleges and universities at the College. Dr. Michael W. Jackson's lecture covered athletic facilities design, security and safety during his April 4 presentation. "Having Dr. Jackson come to WVU to share his expertise in sport management and college athletics is a great opportunity for our students, faculty and for everyone who wants to understand the complexity of how sports work," explains Floyd Jones, associate professor, sport management, CPASS.

2012-2013

CPASS AWARD RECIPIENTS



2013-2014 Scholarship Recipients

- Roger Alford Scholarship** — Kiara Naima Gilbert
- Ferris and Deanna Antoon Textbook Scholarship** — Ashley Margaret Morgan
- Marvin (Bucky) Bolyard Scholarship** — Taylor Brynn Herto
- Dana D. Brooks Doctoral Student Book Scholarship** — Michelle Marie McAlarnen
- Fred M. Coombs Scholarship** — Catherine Jane Rishell
- Gene Corum Scholarship** — Chaz Jacob Blake
- Doris Dorinzi Scholarship** — Andrew Martin Boggs
- Kevin and Karen Elko Scholarship** — John Richard Terry
- Dr. Patricia K. Fehl Graduate Student Scholarship** — Ishonte' C. Allar
- Hope Harper Loar Memorial Scholarship** — Ryan Scott Barrett
- Eleanor Lantz Scholarship** — Brett Andrew Sigley
- John Semon Scholarship** — Chelsea Shane Welch
- William and Anna F. Shuman Scholarship** — Jody Leann Lewis
- C. Peter Yost Scholarship** — Emily Ann Lorenzen
- K. Douglas Bowers Athletic Training Scholarship** — Brett Sigley
- Erika Lynn Cadran Memorial Athletic Training Scholarship** — Casey Zimmerman
- Albert C. "Whitey" Gwynne Athletic Training Scholarship** — Zach Miller
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- Jimmy Leard Memorial Athletic Training Scholarship** — Ashley Figaro
- John Spiker Professional Development Award** — Zach Miller
- Forrest Clark Presidential Scholarships** —
Connor James Arlia (Athletic Coaching Education), John Ryder (Athletic Training), Matthew Tanner Robison (Physical Education Teacher Education), Emily Ann Stinespring (Sport and Exercise Psychology), Anthony Jay Sargent (Sport Management)
- Jerry P. Wilkins Leadership Award** — Frances Silva
- NASPE Outstanding Major of the Year Award** — Nicole Katz
- Athletic Coaching Education Outstanding Undergraduate Student** — Nathan Majnaric
- Athletic Coaching Education Outstanding Graduate Student** — Karl Zang
- Athletic Training Outstanding Undergraduate Student** — Jeremy Ross
- Athletic Training Outstanding Graduate Student** — Emily Ondrejka
- Physical Education Teacher Education Outstanding Undergraduate Student** — Nicole Katz
- Physical Education Teacher Education Outstanding Graduate Student** — Luciana Braga
- Sport and Exercise Psychology Outstanding Undergraduate Student** — Robert Schlote
- Sport and Exercise Psychology Outstanding Graduate Student** — Chelsea Wooding
- Sport Management Outstanding Undergraduate Student** — James Haring
- Sport Management Outstanding Graduate Student** — Morgan Billups

Faculty Awards

- Grantsperson of the Year Award** — Sean Bulger
- Excellence in Research Award** — Sean Bulger, Damien Clement, Kristen Dieffenbach, Michelle Sandrey, Andrea Taliaferro, Jack Watson, and Sam Zizzi
- Researcher of the Year Award** — Sean Bulger
- Excellence in Service Award** — Gonzalo Bravo, Sean Bulger, Kristen Dieffenbach, Ed Etzel, Lynn Housner, Michelle Sandrey, Valerie Wayda, and Jack Watson
- Professional Servant of the Year Award** — Valerie Wayda
- Excellence in Teaching Award** — Sean Bulger, Damien Clement, Vanessa Shannon, Andrea Taliaferro, Jack Watson, and Sam Zizzi
- Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award** — Andrea Taliaferro

Staff Awards

- Shining Star Award** — Kaitlyn Shaffer, Patty Weston-Anderson, and Li Yang
- Staff Attendance Recognition:**
 - Perfect Attendance** — Doug Satterfield and Jaron Thomas
 - Excellent Attendance** — Sherry Binion, Carol Straight, and Mary Wolk

Years of Service Awards

- 5 Years** — Kimberly Cameon
- 15 Years** — Barbara Ridenour Dalton
- 20 Years** — Jeannie Spadafore
- 25 Years** — Dallas Branch
- 30 Years** — Tracy Wheeler
- 40 Years** — Carol Straight



FACULTY NEWS



Dana Brooks

served as moderator celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Title IX at a panel discussion hosted by James Madison University. "If you looked at college sports [pre-Title IX], they were play dates," said Dana Brooks. "Run around the court and have a good time. That wasn't organized sport. It was play." CPASS Hall of Fame member Kittie Blakemore participated in the discussion as well.

Brooks and Ronald Althouse, retired professor of sociology and former director of the Survey Research Center at WVU, have assembled an elite collection of scholars to provide readers with an authoritative book on racism in intercollegiate athletics. Published by Fitness Information Technology, a division of the International Center for Performance Excellence at CPASS, the third edition of *Racism in College Athletics* retains the rich history and context that made the first two editions so widely acclaimed. "This new edition not only expands on the hurdles and triumphs of African American student-athletes, but it also examines the injustices toward and successes of coaches, administrators and international student-athletes," said Brooks.



Kristen Dieffenbach

was quoted in the April 4 online issue of *Discovery News*. In an article by Eric Niiler, "Are Mean Coaches Effective?" Dieffenbach was asked to comment on the firing of Rutgers University basketball coach Mike Rice. Dieffenbach suggests that Rice's abusive style may have backfired with his players when they are on the court. "If someone yells at you, it creates a culture of fear or anxiety to please," said Dieffenbach, who also coaches cyclists and long-distance runners. "But in the long term it's not appropriate for development of elite athletes. A culture of fear inhibits

athletes and they will hold back their best performance for fear of giving a bad performance."



Eloise Elliott,

Ware Distinguished

Professor, spoke this past fall at Be Active 2012, The 4th International Congress

on Physical Activity and Public Health held in Sydney, Australia. The conference is a scientific forum for delegates from around the world to discuss the latest evidence supporting the contribution of regular physical activity to improve public health. She made two presentations at the conference representing work related to the development of the WV Physical Activity Plan, and on a research study of parents' perceptions of their child's physical activity and the relationship to the child's health status (the CARDIAC Project).

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Emily Jones & Sean Bulger

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Elliott, E., Bulger, S., Jones, E., & Neal, W. (November 2012). The development of a statewide physical activity plan in the US. Presented at the 4th International Congress on Physical Activity and Public Health (ICPAPH): beActive 2012, Sydney, Australia.

Elliott, E., Jones, E.M., & Bulger, S., (October 2012). Active WV 2015: WV Physical Activity Plan Update. Presented at the 2012 WVAHPERD Conference, Bridgeport, WV.

Jones, E.M., & Bulger, S.M. (October 2012). Using instructional technology for internship planning, implementation, and assessment. Presented at the 2012 WVAHPERD conference, Bridgeport, WV.

Jones, E.M., Bulger, S.M., Elliott, E., & Braga, L. (October, 2012). Greenbrier CHOICES: Promoting health across school, community, and healthcare settings. Presented at the 2012 NASPE PETE Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

Elliott, E., Jones, E.M., Bulger, S.M. (October, 2012). Active WV 2015: The WV Physical Activity Plan. Presented at the 2012 NASPE PETE Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

Jones, E.M. (June 2012). Engaging school-aged movers with exergames: Xbox 360 Kinect. Presented at the KidStrong Conference, Charleston, WV.

Jones, E.M., & Bulger, S.M. (April 2012). Using instructional technology to facilitate integration, reflection, and transition during the senior year experience. Presented at the 2012 National Student Teaching and Field Placement Conference, Slippery Rock, PA.

Grants

Bulger, S.M., Elliott, E., Jones, E.M., Taliaferro, A., Neal, W., & Kristjansson, A. McDowell County CHOICES: Children's Health Opportunities Involving Coordinated Efforts in Schools Planning Grant. Submitted to the Highmark Foundation (\$75,000) (funded).

Jones, E.M., & Bulger, S.M. (2011-2014) Contract to evaluate Greenbrier CHOICES Carol M. White Physical Education Program. Submitted to the Greenbrier County Schools. (\$140,395) (funded).

Jones, E.M., & Bulger, S.M. (2012). Integration of i>clicker2 Instructional Technology Across and Undergraduate Teacher Education Program. Submitted to the WVU College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences, Dr. Sara Cree Endowment (\$2,250) (funded).

Jones, E.M. (2012). Monongalia County Board of Education, Morgantown, West Virginia. Mylan Park Elementary Physical Education Program (\$45,060) (funded).



Jack Watson

is serving as the current president of AASP. He's working on a book project with Ed Etzel titled:

Ethical Issues in Sport, Exercise and Performance Psychology, published by Fitness Information Technology. Watson was recently part of a panel discussion titled: Team Approaches to Care for Athletes and Performing Artists, given at the annual meeting of the Joint Commission on Sports Medicine and Science.

Grant Updates

Peter Giacobbi partnered with the University of Arizona to submit an NIH grant. If funded, the project will start approximately September 2013.

Damien Clement and Peter Giacobbi submitted a proposal to the NATA Foundation. If funded, the start date will be September 2013.

Floyd Jones partnered with George Lies, WVU International Programs, to submit a proposal to the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. If funded, the start date will be September 2013. This project is for the African Youth Sports Development Program.

Cindy Lee is submitting a full proposal to North American Society for Sport Management this summer.

Staff News

Sherry Skidmore-Summers

joined the College as the new grant administrator. Skidmore has more than 11 years' experience at the University. Her role is a shared position with CPASS, P.I. Reed School of Journalism and the College of Creative Arts.

Jen Butler joins ATTR with experience in baseball and women's basketball. She received her Master of Science degree in Sport Administration from Eastern Kentucky University in December 2007 and her bachelor's degree from Anderson University (IN) in 2004 in Athletic Training.

Amy Hile returned to Morgantown last July to work with women's soccer and track. She obtained her undergrad degree at Valparaiso University and master's degree at the University of Connecticut. She's the first athletic trainer at WVU to win a Big 12 Championship.

Christiaan Abildso, who previously headed up the WV Public Employees Insurance Agency's Weight Management Program housed at CPASS, has joined the Department of Social and Behavior Sciences as an assistant professor. He earned his PhD in Kinesiology, Sport and Exercise Psychology concentration, and MPH from WVU, an EdM in Counseling with a sport psychology concentration from Boston University, and an undergraduate degree in Business and Economics from McDaniel College (formerly Western Maryland College).

Wyada receives national recognition



The North American Society (NAS) of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Sport and Dance Professionals recognized Valerie Wayda, chair, department of Coaching and Teaching Studies, during their national conference. Wayda received the 2013 Fellow Award in Charlotte, NC, in April.

Wayda was recognized for her outstanding contribution within the allied professions of health, education, physical education, recreation, sport and dance in North America. NAS Fellows have demonstrated leadership through professional involvement over a period of at least two decades.

"It was a very humbling experience to be nominated and then selected for induction into NAS." said Wayda, associate professor within Coaching and Teaching Studies.

Wayda is a life-time member of American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance and ICHPER-SD and has been a member of National Association of Kinesiology and Physical Education in Higher Education since 2000. She has served in various leadership roles within Midwest District AHPERD and the National Association for Sport and Physical Education

In Memoriam

FERRIS ANTOON



Ferris J. Antoon, age 80 of West Long Branch, NJ, died January 19, 2013, at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Born in Uniontown, PA, he had lived in West Long

Branch for the past 50 years. Ferris graduated from West Virginia University, earning his Bachelor's degree from CPASS. He received his master's at Monmouth (NJ) University. In 1960, he started teaching at the Bradley School in Asbury Park and then continued at Frank Antonides School in West Long Branch as a physical education teacher, coach and athletic director until he retired in 1993. He was the founder and director of the Brookdale Community College sports camps; a member of the

Shore Sports alumni; and founder of the Ferris Antoon - Jim Carrigan Monmouth County Intermediate School Soccer League.

Ferris served on the College Visiting Committee and was inducted into the CPASS Hall of Fame in 2003. He received the CPASS Dean's Service Award in 2012. Ferris served in the US Army during the Korean Conflict and was a parishioner of Holy Trinity Church of Christ the King Parish in Long Branch. He was predeceased by his daughter-in-law, Mary Ann Antoon. Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Deanna Antoon; two sons and a daughter-in-law; Jeffrey Antoon and his son, Chris; Philip and Danielle Antoon and their children, Giovanna and Adriana Gonzales and Isabella Antoon; a daughter and a son-in-law, Susan and Gordon Cousins and their children, Seth and Luke.

BEA ORR



Bea Orr, 82, of Logan, passed away at her home on April 7, 2013 following an extended illness. Orr is a former CPASS VC member and former president of AAHPERD and the Midwest District Association. She was a longtime leader in WV AAHPERD and retired

from the Logan County Board of Education. Not only was Orr a long-time educator, but she was a strong proponent of all girls sports programs.

John A. Strycula

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Hardy, VA
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Boris C. Bell

Centreville, MD
11/22/12

Kenneth J. Cross

Wheeling, WV
2/12/13

James R. Cunningham

Elmhurst, IL
4/6/2013

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4/6/13

Joseph R. Ferrell

Bridgeport, WV
1/1/2013

Robert LaLance

Murfreesboro, TN
1/11/12



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Current and future support for scholarships or fellowships, faculty development, fitness and wellness

programs, classroom or computer lab enhancements, and the International Center for Performance Excellence are high priorities.

Various gifts count in the campaign, including those which are a part of a person's estate plan.

Any gift included in a will or revocable trust counts as long as the donor will be age 70 by the campaign's end on December 31, 2015. The wording to accomplish that is simply: "...to the WVU Foundation for the benefit of the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences."

Also, future gifts made by listing the WVU Foundation as the beneficiary on a

financial account (retirement account or stock account), life insurance, or annuity policy will count when the age-related requirement is met.

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Progress in moving closer to the CPASS campaign goal is important. Each person's choice to help is an additional vote of confidence in the College's future.

ALUMNI UPDATES

Chad Ballard (BS SM '08; MS SM '09) Tampa, FL, is the manager, event marketing and sales, for Feld Entertainment Inc., the owner and producer of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey®, Feld Motorsports, Disney On Ice, Disney Live and marvel Universe Live. Ballard heads up the advertising, marketing, and public relations campaigns for events in several Florida cities.

Marisa Brunett (BSPE '86) Winter Springs, FL, served as chairperson of the NATA public relations committee.

Bruce Bundrant (MS SM '97) made the move from Liverpool to Monaco. He says: I'm enthusiastic about the opportunity to help return AS Monaco FC to the top of French and European football.

Dave Colt (BSPE '77) was inducted into the Northwest Missouri State University M Club Hall of Fame for his years of service to the institution.

Sarah Christie (BS ATTR '02) Statesboro, GA, is an assistant professor and clinical education coordinator at Georgia Southern University. Sarah and Ian Christie were married on April 24, 2012, at Keswick Hall at Monticello in Virginia and currently reside in Statesboro, GA

Chelsea Duffy (BS SM '08) New York, NY, works at the The Madison Square Garden Company, as a client relationship specialist with the NY Rangers. Previously, she worked for the New York Jets from and the New York Yankees as an account executive in service/sales, season tickets.

Bill Douglas (BSPE '60), professor and dean emeritus of the School of Physical Education, and Karen Douglas, professor emeritus of Health Education, have moved to Sun City Carolina Lakes in Indian Land, SC, located just seven miles from the Charlotte, NC border.

Vincent Fitch (BS SEP '13) was accepted to WVU Physical Therapy School.

Mike Funkhouser (BS PETE '80) teaches in Hardy County; he was recently named the West Virginia Teacher of the Year for 2013. "I admired the no nonsense way that you approached our class. I hope that my students have appreciated the importance of learning English in my room in the same manner I appreciated the importance of administration that I learned from you."

Kelly Geddis (PETE BS '78 & MS '81) Parkersburg, WV, is the assistant executive director for the WV Secondary Schools Activities Commission. Previously, Kelly served as teacher, coach, athletic director and assistant principal at Morgantown High School.

Jamie Kocher Hall (BS, MS SM '09 & '10) Harrisonburg, VA, serves as director of donor stewardship and administration at James Madison University.

Jon Hammond (MS SM '04) WVU rifle coach and the rifle team earned the nation-best 15th NCAA Championships trophy. The Mountaineers (11-1, 5-1), led by seventh-year coach Hammond, shot 4679 and claimed its first national title since 2009 in March, at Ohio State University. The Mountaineers won air rifle with a 2363 score and finished third in smallbore with a 2316 mark. Senior Petra Zublasing swept the individual titles, winning smallbore (688.3) and air rifle (701.7).

Tim McNeely (BS SM '92) has joined Fairmont State University as its new athletic director. He's spent the last

10 years working with the PGA Tour. The FSU position will allow him the opportunity to branch out into other areas of sport administration and sport management. A four-year basketball letterman at WVU with sport management and law degrees, McNeely has family in Morgantown. His wife, Sarah, has family in Bridgeport.

TJ Morgan (MS ATTR '98) Severn, MD, completed his tenure as president of the Maryland Athletic Trainers' Association.

Jordan Murphy (BSPE '11) Fairmont native, and new Los Angeles resident is starring in a new TV show, with the focus on paranormal occurrences. The show, "Haunted Encounters: Face to Face," starring Murphy, and her friends and colleagues, Daniel Hooven, Helmy Kramer, Chelsea Damali and canine investigator Captain, aired this last November on Biography.

Brian Perez (MS ATTR '07) Bergenfield, NJ, while working a soccer tournament in Maryland, saved the life of a local food vendor employee who had collapsed and stopped breathing.

Gary Quinn (MS SM '96) was recently promoted to vice president of programming and owned properties at NBC Sports.

Joshua Root (BS ACE '12) was one of four people selected out of 600 who applied for finishes manufacturing technician at DuPont Performance Coatings. Root explains that his degree impressed the company, which focuses on teamwork in the process of manufacturing a high quality product.

Gabe Roush (ATTR '12) took his experience and work with WVU sports teams: rowing, wrestling, football, volleyball and basketball and parlayed that into an internship opportunity with the Denver Broncos during the 2012 NFL season. John Spiker, president/CEO of Health Works, said, "Gabe will work harder to help others than he will to help

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himself. He tries to learn all he can from any situation.”

Leon Ryan (BSPE '78) leads the IMG team as general manager at University of South Florida in Tampa. “This is an incredible professional opportunity for me to assume leadership at a Big East Conference institution.”

Glenn Schwab (MS PE '89) Georgetown, TX, was selected as the recipient of the College/University Division III Head Athletic Trainer of the Year award.

Doug Smith (MS PETE '98) was named Teacher of the Year finalist for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. “My time at WVU was a life-changing year for me. Coming out of a smaller program at Appalachian State at the time, WVU really helped me to gain my confidence and knowledge of

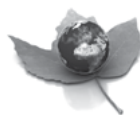
teaching. The professors: Linda Carson, Robert Wiegand, Lynn Housner, and Andrew Hawkins were very influential in my development. The hands-on experience teaching in Morgantown left me ready to fully take on the life of a quality physical education teacher.”

Zach Spiker (MS SM '04) was recently recognized as the Patriot League Coach of the Year. He is the head basketball coach at the US Military Academy in West Point, NY. In his first three years as head coach at Army, he is only the third coach in their history to win 50 games--the other two were Bobby Knight (former Indiana coach) and Mike Krzyzewski (current Duke coach).

Stacie Wentz (MS SM '03) national teams manager, US Lacrosse, Baltimore, MD, is the assistant cross country and track coach at

Johns Hopkins. Her girl's team won the National Championship last fall. It was the school's first women's championship ever and the first non-lacrosse championship since 1979.

Ryan Wise (BS SEP '12) Baltimore, MD, is working for Brick Bodies Health Club in personal training, group training, physical therapy, counseling and nutritional guidance. “I have the entire program to thank for my success. My background lies with all of you and all your help the past four years.”



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Morgantown Area CPASS Alumni Luncheon
June 20, 2013
Erickson Alumni Center

Annual CPASS Homecoming Tent Reception
Texas Tech vs. WVU
October 19, 2013
Erickson Alumni Center
Kick off TBA

CPASS Wall of Honor Update
October 31, 2013
4 p.m.
Coliseum

CPASS Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
November 1, 2013
Reception, 6 – 7 p.m.
Induction Ceremony, 7 p.m.
Erickson Alumni Center

Fall Visiting Committee Meeting
October 31 – November 2, 2013
Morgantown

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